

Dear Members of Labor and Public Employees Committee of the Connecticut General Assembly:

My name is Iris Rodriguez and I live in Hartford, Connecticut. I support Senate Bill No. 1178: *An Act Expanding Connecticut Paid Sick Days*.

As a lifelong chronically ill person, I think we must have a paid sick days policy that is reflective of the one outlined in this bill that expands the definition of family to be more inclusive than the Governor's Bill, gives us 80 hours of paid sick days, lets us accrue faster, protects us during the pandemics, includes everyone regardless of employer size, and gets rid of the waiting period.

Please pass paid sick days in accordance with this bill.

Thank you for your time,
Iris Rodriguez Hartford, CT